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SUBJECT: LEAHY VETTING FOR ASIA PACIFIC CENTER FOR SECURITY STUDIES
(APCSS) ADVANCE SECURITY COOPERATION (ASC) COURSE - USA, JANUARY 22
TO MARCH 11, 2009

¶1. This is an action request. See para three.

¶2. The following candidates have been selected for participation in the Asia Pacific Center for Security Studies (APCSS) Advance Security Cooperation (ASC) Course in USA, which will begin on January 22; 2009. Post vetting was completed on December 3, 2008. Post requests that vetting be completed by December 31 to provide sufficient time for processing. Post requests the department conduct Leahy vetting for the following candidates:

¶1. Name: Md. Nasim Akhter
Rank: Brigadier General
Unit: 71 Infantry Brigade, Commander
Unit Location: Savar, Dhaka
Personal Number: 2416
Date of Birth: 12 June 1963
Place of Birth: Barisal

¶2. Name: Shawkat Imran
Rank: Commodore
Unit: Naval Secretary, Navy HQ
Unit Location: Dhaka
Personal Number: 267
Date of Birth: 2 January 1961
Place of Birth: Barisal

¶3. Post requests that the Department of State authorize post to make the following statement to the relevant DOD units: "Embassy verifies that the Department of State possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the above named individual or unit."

¶4. Post Human Rights Officer is David Arulanantham, unclass
e-mail:arulananthamdp@state.gov.

¶5. COMMENT: Embassy has no information to indicate these individuals or any units they have served in have been involved in gross violations of human rights.

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